

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Friday, March 19

Note: My odds-line for my top four contenders is based on what I think each horse's chances are to win the race. For instance, if I make a horse 4-1, I think the horse's chances of winning are about 20%, so if the same exact race was run ten times, he'd win it twice. If I make all of the horses about the same odds, that's an indication that I think the race is wide open, or that I can't pinpoint a horse that appears to have a strong edge.

Meadowlands Race Picks by Bob Pandolfo

RACE 1

7 TASTE OF HISTORY 5-2
6 FINAL JUSTICE 3-1
9 ROCKINWITHTHEBEST 4-1
8 NA NA NA BAATMAN 8-1

RACE 2

7 OCEAN COLONY** 8-5
6 WATCHMENEIGHNEIGH 5-2
2 WESTERN REDHOT 4-1
4 GOTTA GO B B 8-1

OCEAN COLONY was shuffled after leaving in his first start since January; speedy sort has some back-class, should make a forward move in second start off the bench, and appears to be facing weaker as he moves into a claiming race.

RACE 3

9 TOM'S AROCKIN 2-1
5 SOSSY'S KING KONG 3-1
2 POP ICON 4-1
3 I AM THE COWBOY 8-1

TOM'S AROCKIN ships in from The Meadows, hasn't won in a long time but drops to the bottom claiming level here.

RACE 4

9 TWINSBURG 3-1
1 FIREFLY 7-2
5 LOTUS SEELSTER 4-1
4 VH PRINCESS BREA 8-1

RACE 5

8 CASHNCAM 5-2
6 ROYAL COURTIER 3-1
3 S MCKEE 7-2
1 BRASS MONKEY 9-2

CASHNCAM had a tough trip from post 10 in last...ROYAL COURTIER set a solid pace and weakened but held the show...S MCKEE and BRASS MONKEY are contenders on best efforts.

RACE 6

8 DARKRSHADEOPALE N 8-5
5 KAY'S DELIGHT 7-2

3 PETAL TO THE METAL 4-1
1 SWEETER LULU 4-1

DARKRSHADEOFFPALE N had a tough trip in last; key drop tonight and he could be tough to beat here...KAY'S DELIGHT drops and gets a better post...PETAL TO THE METAL just missed against similar in last...SWEETER LULU crushed weaker in a surprisingly fast time.

RACE 7
6 BLACKWELL RUBY IR 8-5
5 LAURIE LEE 3-1
7 WOODMERE OLEKSIK 4-1
9 CLASSY CHAPEL N 6-1

BLACKWELL RUBY IR qualified nicely for sharp outfit and may have a class edge here...LAURIE LEE has been on a roll winning all four of her starts this year.

RACE 8
9 BETTOR NOTBITTER A 5-1
4 LUCK N ROLL K 2-1
5 TWO FIFTYEIGHT N 5-1
8 SPORTY SPOOK A 8-1

BETTOR NOTBITTER A is third off the layoff for sharp barn and was not in a good spot last time...LUCK N ROLL K is the obvious one to beat...TWO FIFTYEIGHT N won two back then stepped up and faltered...SPORTY SPOOK A needs best.

RACE 9
3 CHIEF JUSTICE 2-1
2 HALO ITS ME 2-1
8 MARLEY'S GUY 6-1
4 MOVEOUTOFMYWAY K 8-1

RACE 10
2 STATESMAN N 4-5
10 BETTOR BB 10-1
4 STIRLING ENSIGN 15-1
5 NORTHERN ROCK 6-1

STATESMAN N has been tough against this type including last when he won by 8 lengths; 14 year old will try to take the Final of this claiming series. Leading driver Dexter Dunn plans on returning from Yonkers in time to drive this one...BETTOR BB finished gamely to miss by a head and could be charging off a fast pace here...STIRLING ENSIGN comes off an improved effort...NORTHERN ROCK got the pocket trip and the win in last; one of several that could vie for the early lead here.

RACE 11
2 TORN TO PIECES AS 7-2
6 MANHATTANUP NO ICE 7-2
5 LIZ'S CHAMP 8-1
4 SHE MUST BE MAGIC 8-1

TORN TO PIECES AS debuts for good connections; Tim Tetrick is back...MANHATTANUP NO ICE has tactical speed and good form.

RACE 12
6 MAJOR OCCASION 2-1

4 SWEET LUCY LOU 5-2
3 BETALADY 3-1
2 IMPRINCESSGEMMA A 7-2

RACE 13

8 UNCLE HANOVER 2-1
2 CHARLIE ONA HARLEY 7-2
4 NEXTROUNDSONME 7-2
6 SHADY MCCOY 15-1

UNCLE HANOVER takes a key drop and should go well...NEXTROUNDSONME broke in his last two starts but has a chance if he stays trotting...CHARLIE ONA HARLEY comes off a solid effort where he left, was shuffled and came on gamely again...NEXTROUNDSONME broke in his last two starts; needs to stay trotting...SHADY MCCOY is another than broke in his last two starts but fits here on one of his better efforts.

BEST BET: OCEAN COLONY 2nd Race